## **ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS**

In 2005, the Zoning Board of Appeals heard and rendered decisions on twenty petitions as prescribed in Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 40A, The Zoning Act, and also further clarified by the Town's Zoning Bylaw.

The Petitions heard by the Board include variances, Special Permits and appeals of zoning decisions rendered by the Inspector of Buildings as well as interpretations of Zoning Bylaws.

The Zoning Board of Appeals has three members appointed by the Board of Selectmen who also appoint two associate members to attend Hearings when a member, or members, cannot sit for a particular hearing. All hearings are open to the public and are usually held on the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month in the Selectmen's Hearing Room on the second floor of the Town Hall or the conference room located on the second floor of the Town Hall Annex. All hearings are advertised in the Arlington Advocate for two consecutive weeks and posted on the Town Clerk's Bulletin Board at least three weeks before the hearing date. Hearings are also posted on the Town website. The Rules and Regulations of the Zoning Board of Appeals are on file in the Office of the Town Clerk and in the Zoning Board of Appeals' Office at 51 Grove Street.

	Granted	Denied	Withdrawn	In Process
Petitions for Variance	1			
Applications for Special				
Permits	17		1	
Appeal of Decisions of				
Inspector of Buildings	1			
Totals	19		1	
Total petitions filed with Town Clerk: 1				
Hearings continued by the Board while in session: 3				